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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated December 1, 1999, be extended for a period of 2 month(s) from February 1, 2000 to and including April 1, 2000.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$380.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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